

on file. Arrangements for interviews will be made after questionnaires are returned and evaluated making sure that each applicant understands that there may be quite some time between interviews and the final decision and that a choice will not be made until all applicants have been interviewed.

It was hoped that an architect can be chosen who is creative yet practical and who can design housing projects that do not necessarily look like projects.

Types of dwellings will depend on what sites are chosen and on the architect.

Changes were suggested in the last paragraph of the letter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Clapp and seconded by Commissioner Patterson that proposed questionnaire, as prepared by Commissioner Blackall, be approved. Adopted unanimously.

Suggestion was made that an inquiry into the availability of funds for the hiring and employing of a Home Manager to work with families be made. It was noted that these services should be made available, but not mandatory and that the key to the whole operation of public housing is rehabilitation of tenants.

Director instructed to explore this matter further and report back.

Commissioner Clapp informed the Commission that he would be going into the hospital for about a week and would be convalescing at home for a week or so. He informed the Commission that they would be welcome to meet in his home during his convalescence.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM MATEER,  
Secretary.

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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

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### Proceedings, January 11, 1966

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The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by Chairman Charles E. Forsythe.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Jamieson, Johnson, Maloney, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt and Munyon—7.

Absent: Commissioner Anderton—1.

Commissioner Anderton was excused from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

off-duty police personnel to police certain social and athletic events, research has been conducted and the findings are contained herein.

The City Finance Department prepared a cost per hour billing guide. Their total estimated cost per hour is \$4.67 for patrolmen with less than 11 years seniority and \$4.75 per hour for those with more than 11 years seniority. Charges will be proportionately higher for officers of higher rank. The above costs include all the benefits that officers now enjoy including retirement, duty disability, hospital and medical insurance, etc.

The billing guide reflects the greatest fringe cost as being "retirement." If an officer would become permanently disabled due to some incident, while employed at one of these events, he would be eligible for a duty disability pension. This pension is paid from the retirement funds, and therefore contributions from both the employer and the employee should be made to this fund. Also, the officer will be entitled to draw a retirement pension on income he has received from this extra employment.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

December 23, 1965

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the request of the Police and Fire Board to investigate the cost and implications concerning the utilization of

If an officer should become a defendant in some court action arising out of an incident at one of these events, it is assumed that also the City of Lansing would be a co-defendant. A question that must be resolved by the City Council is whether or not the City Attorney or his representative would represent the officer in this litigation? Also, if in the case of an unfavorable judgement, would the City of Lansing assume the officer's liability?

All receipts from this off-duty employment will be paid to the city general fund and the City Council should be requested to provide a revolving fund to cover the initial payments to the officers until the funds arrive from this off-duty employment.

The police personnel will be under the supervision of the Chief of Police. It shall be the duty of the police officers to maintain order and they will have complete authority to take proper police action to maintain it.

Cost per hour: (Patrolman, less than 11 years service)

Vacation:	\$ .15
Sick Leave:	.16
Uniform Cost:	.11
Hospitalization and Medical Insurance	.16
Group Insurance:	.08
Retirement:	.54
Salary	3.25
Accounting costs:	.27
Total Cost Per Hour:	\$4.67
Patrolman with more than 11 years	\$4.75
Corporals	4.85
Sergeants	5.10
Lieutenants	5.41
Captains	5.89

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

The members of the Board participated in a thorough discussion regarding the costs and implications for off-duty police officers working at certain social and athletic events and the billing guide as prepared by the City Finance Department.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move that the proposition of off duty employment, liability and cost of services be referred to the Personnel Committee with authority to act.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

The motion was defeated by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioners Dunn, Munyon—2.

Nay: Commissioners Schmidt, Maloney, Johnson, Jamieson, Forsythe—5.

The Board engaged in further discussion relative to the liability and wage rates.

By Commissioner Schmidt:

I move we accept the figures as submitted, but that exact figures based on actual salary rates be used instead of average figures.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioners Schmidt, Johnson, Maloney, Dunn, Munyon—5.

Nay: Commissioner Jamieson—1.

Chief Straiger presented the following request from Patrolman Ronald D. Lyon:

December 23, 1965

Chief of Police

City of Lansing, Michigan

Dear Sir:

I respectfully request re-imbursement for the sum of sixteen dollars for a pair of glass frames which were broken while making an arrest on the morning of December 21, 1965.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

RONALD D. LYON.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that the officer be reimbursed for the cost of his glass frames.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

January 11, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Mr. Percy LaLonde, former member of the Lansing Fire Department now on duty disability retirement, has submitted the following medical bills requesting payment by the fire department. The bills are for treatment of duty incurred injuries while he was a member of the fire department:

Eugene Nakfoor, M.D. \$ 85.00

Physician's Laboratory Service 33.00

Percy LaLonde (paid to Capital Drug Co.) 122.94

\$240.94

Respectfully submitted,  
M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move these bills be paid, but not those submitted for re-imbursement by the

Lansing Fireman's Benefit Association, subject to the approval of the City Attorney.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

January 11, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The 38th Annual Fire Department Instructors Conference is being held at Memphis, Tennessee March 22 through 25, 1966. This is the largest and most informative conference conducted for fire department instructors in the United States.

I recommend that Deputy Instructor Carl Barratt be permitted to attend this conference. Funds are available in 210250, Conference Expense, in the fire department budget.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

By Commissioner Johnson—

I move we approve this request.

Supported by Commission Maloney.

Carried.

January 11, 1966

Members of the Police

and Fire Board

Gentlemen:

We have received checks from a Mr. Arthur Stern in the amount of \$5.00 and from a Mr. Chas. Gregory in the amount of \$10.00 in appreciation for services rendered them by officers of this department. These checks are made payable to the Police Relief Association.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Maloney—

I move we accept these checks for the Police Relief Association.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

January 11, 1966

Members of the Police

and Fire Board

Gentlemen:

I am submitting the requests of Sgt. Chas. Reifsnyder, Sgt. Wm. Cavanaugh, and Ptlm. M. Spitzley for reimbursement of tuition and fees while attending Lan-

sing Community College from the Fall of 1963 to the Fall term of 1965.

Each of these officers has successfully completed the Law Enforcement Certificate Program, and certificates were issued December 15, 1965.

The scholastic records and receipts for tuition are attached.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move we approve re-imbursement of tuition and fees for these men.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

#### APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

January 11, 1966

Members of the Police

and Fire Board

Gentlemen:

Patrolman James Opperman has submitted his resignation, effective December 31, 1965. It is my recommendation that his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move his resignation be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Jamieson.

Carried.

January 11, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Fireman Lawrence Atkinson has been inducted into the Armed Services, effective this date. He was appointed to the fire department October 10, 1965.

I recommend that he be placed on military leave of absence, effective January 11, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

By Commissioner Schmidt—

I move he be placed on military leave of absence.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

By Commissioner Dunn—

The provisions as drawn up be accepted as the basis for operation by this Board.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

The Board shall have the five following standing committees:

1. Personnel
2. Ways and Means
3. Training and Public Relations
4. Buildings and Sites
5. Equipment and Specifications

Each committee shall have three (3) members of which two (2) constitute a quorum; except the Personnel committee, which shall have five (5) members of which four (4) constitute a quorum. The above standing committees shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Personnel Committee. Recommend policy for promotion, salary, hiring and discipline. Department chiefs shall furnish complete personnel file on candidates for promotion and reasons for their recommendation.

2. Ways and Means. Assist the department chiefs in preparing their budgets and recommendation policies relating thereto.

3. Training and Public Relations. Assist the department chiefs and recommend policy for training of recruits and continuing training for command and staff.

4. Buildings and Sites. Consult with chiefs in preparing recommendations for adoption by Board and submission to City Council regarding selection of sites for stations and erection of appropriate buildings thereon. Recommend plans to meet future City needs regarding the same.

5. Equipment and Specifications. To consult with department chiefs in recommending standards and specifications regarding equipment for submission by the Board to the Purchasing Department and the City Council. Recommend plans to meet future City needs regarding same.

Committee meetings shall be called only by the chairman and upon not less than twenty-four (24) hours actual notice to the members of the committee.

If a member is unable to attend his place at the meeting, his place may be filled by a substitute appointed by him from the remainder of the Board.

Commissioner Dunn also reported the progress on the installation of the micro-

wave system and the granting of the operating license.

## REPORT OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported that some members of his department were off duty due to colds and the flu. He requested the Board to give further study to the corporal tests, as many efficient and loyal officers are missing promotions due to failure to pass the written test. Some of these men have received A and B averages at Community College courses.

Chairman Forsythe requested the Training Committee to study the situation and give a report at the next meeting.

Chief Keenoy gave a report on members of his department on sick leave, and that he was ordered to appear at a Workmen's Compensation Commissioner hearing regarding Gordon Haley January 17, 1966. He reported on an inspection of new No. 4 Station with the architect, an accident involving Ambulance No. 24, and new apparatus received in December.

## RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Schmidt—

I move that on all ambulance calls the patient be taken to the nearest available hospital.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

Chief Stragier and Chief Keenoy informed the members of the Board they were working on 1966-67 budgets, and would request a special meeting as soon as the budget requests were prepared.

Master Mechanic Idus Burgess of the Police and Fire Garage Division addressed the Board briefly, informing them he had made a decision to apply for retirement from the fire department after over 27 years of service. He expressed his deep thanks and appreciation for the cooperation he has received from both departments and the Police and Fire Board.

The members of the Board and both chiefs commended him for his many years of excellent service.

An opinion of the employee and employer relationship of the Board and the police and firemen was submitted by City Attorney Eugene G. Wanger and read to the members. Chairman Forsythe requested copies for each member.

The Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,  
Secretary.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, February 8, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Chairman, Charles Forsythe.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Jamieson, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon, Anderton, and Johnson—7.

Absent: Commissioner Maloney—1.

Commissioner Maloney was excused from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Letter from Lansing Fire Fighters relative to requests for changes in pay scale and fringe benefit provision referred to Board by City Council.

Comm. Anderton—

I move that this letter be accepted as read.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

Request from Sgt. Curtis Wash that he be allowed to attend an Advanced First Aid Training School May 26 thru 28, 1966 at the U of M Medical School.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that Sgt. Wash be allowed to attend this course.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

Comm. fr. Idus Burgess, Master Mechanic, Fire Dept., notifying Board of his application to be retired on pension effective Feb. 27, 1966.

Received and placed on file.

## **APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS**

January 31, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Firemen Lynn VanderMoere and Donald Pricco have completed their probationary periods with the Fire Department. Reports from their officers indicate they have made suitable progress.

I recommend their appointments to the Fire Department be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. J. Keenoy, Chief.

Comm. Anderton—

I move that these officers be confirmed.

Supported by Comm. Jamieson.

Carried.

February 7, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

I am submitting letters of resignation for the following members of the Department: Mrs. Effie Linderman, Matron; Mrs. Sandra McKee, Clerk-Drivers License Bureau; William Brandt, Daniel Koontz, Robt. Krumbach, and Gordon Landon, Patrolmen.

It is my recommendation that these resignations be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

Comm. Anderton—

I so move that these resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

February 8, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee recommends that Assistant Mechanic Virgil P. Gurecki be promoted to the rank of Master Mechanic, effective February 27, 1966, to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Master Mechanic Idus Burgess.

Personnel Committee,

DON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.  
J. M. MALONEY,

Comm. Anderton—

I so move that the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Comm. Johnson.

Carried.

By Comm. Johnson—

I move that the height requirements for applicants for the Police Department be reduced to 5 ft. 9 in.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported one officer hospitalized in Ferguson Hospital, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and that Corp. Fraser has returned to full duty having recovered from back surgery.

Chief Keenoy reported he has five men on sick leave; three of whom have required surgery.

He advised the Board that the damage in the fire-explosion occurring in the 1700 blk. of W. Ottawa St. had been set at \$125,000; that one man was killed and several persons injured from flying debris

and broken glass. Further, that the exact cause of the explosion had not been determined, but that parts of the furnace were presently undergoing laboratory tests, the results being available in a day or two.

An inspection was made of the No. 4 fire station, and communications have been sent to the various contractors, stating what must be done, before final acceptance of the building can be made.

A call was made to the Seagraves Corporation who advised that the fire truck is in the paint shop, and should be ready for delivery the last of this month.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning the request of the Lansing Firefighters for a eight hour, 5 day, 40 hour work week, and the possible need that a study be made of other cities of comparable size, and their working hours for firemen.

Comm. Munyon—

I move that this matter be referred to the Personnel Committee to investigate the possibilities and developments that might be involved in an eight hour, 5 day, 40 hour work week for the Fire Department, and that they report back to the full Board in at least 90 days.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Comm. Anderton—

I move that this meeting be adjourned.

Supported by Comm. Johnson.

The Board adjourned; to meet in Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

YVONNE BROWN,  
Secretary of the Board.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, March 8, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by Vice-Chairman Don F. Johnson.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** Commissioners Jamieson, Johnson, Anderton, Maloney, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon—7.

**Absent:** Commissioner Forsythe—1.

Chairman Forsythe was excused from the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

## COMMUNICATIONS

February 18, 1966

**Mr. Charles Forsythe, Chairman**

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Dear Mr. Forsythe:

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trustees of the Police and Fire Retirement System on February 15, 1966 the following motion was adopted:

That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Police and Fire Board, that the Trustees of the Police and Fire Retirement System oppose any outside employer contributing to the present system through a program of city employees working for private or other governmental units.

In discussing the above motion it was clear that the Trustees do not oppose or wish to stand in the way of policemen working on a part time basis on outside jobs; however, the Trustees feel that this employment should not affect the present pension plan.

One question that arose was: "What happens if an individual is injured on one of these outside assignments? Would it be the obligation of the Retirement System to give a disability pension?" To put it

briefly, the Trustees do not want the City Retirement System to be in any way affected by a change of policy of the Police and Fire Board. If policemen are to be allowed to work on a part time basis it should be an individual matter and not a city operation.

If there are any questions I am sure, Mr. Dunn, your representative on this Board can explain it.

Very truly yours,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman,  
Police and Fire Retirement System,

RAYMOND W. BURGESS,  
Secretary,  
Police and Fire Retirement System.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move we rescind the resolution of January 11, 1966 pertaining to this outside employment.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

A claim filed by Thomas H. Skehan, Attorney for Stanley and Dorthea Sovinski relative to personal injuries and property damage sustained in a collision with a fire Department Ambulance on East Michigan Avenue and Larch Street was referred by the City Council to the City Attorney and the Fire Department.

By Commissioner Jamieson—

I move we refer this claim to the City Attorney.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

A letter from Judson Werbelow, Attorney for Alco Construction Corporation asking if the City Would consider a contract for fire protection for their building at 3939 Capital City Airport Boulevard was referred by the City Council to the Police and Fire Board and the Council Committee on Public Safety.

By Commissioner Jamieson—

I move that the Ways and Means Committee of the Board meet with the City Council Public Safety Committee and report back to the Board.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

Chief Keenoy submitted a letter from F. E. Anderson, Inspection Supervisor of the Label Service of Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc., stating that each length of hose ordered from the Blaze Guard Manufacturing Company was being hydrostatically tested, and that a copy of the test work results will be forwarded to the Purchasing Director. The shipment of hose will be withheld pending completion of the tests.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Keenoy submitted reports of two accidents involving fire department apparatus and equipment:

Traffic accident between No. 4 Ladder Truck and a 1965 Mustang driven by Jack T. Kirksy, Jr. at the intersection of Cedar Street and Greenlawn February 23, 1966, 7:50 P.M.

Accident with a CO<sub>2</sub> fire extinguisher at No. 1 Station, injuring Engineer Robert Nalett, 8:50 P.M., March 2, 1966.

Received and placed on file.

February 8, 1966

To the Winners of the 1965  
Fire Prevention Contest

It gives us great pleasure to transmit herewith a Certificate of Merit in recognition of your fine achievement in the 1965 Fire Prevention Contest.

Please accept the congratulations of the Judges, the Committee and the entire National Fire Protection Association for your commendable efforts in the public interest.

Cordially,

PERCY BUGBEE,  
Chairman,  
Fire Prevention and Clean-Up  
Campaign Committee.

By Commissioner Jamieson—

I move we congratulate the fire department on receiving this certificate of merit.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

#### APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

March 8, 1966

Members of the Police

and Fire Board

Gentlemen:

Attached you will find the resignations of Det. Sgt. Clayton Croy, with the request that he be placed on retirement, effective May 1, 1966; Ptlm. William Kniple, effective March 8, 1966, and Ptlm. Kenneth McKay, effective March 15, 1966.

It is my recommendation that these resignations be accepted.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Anderton—

I move the resignations be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

March 8, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Mechanic Lee Leyrer be promoted to the rank of Assistant Mechanic IV in the Police and Fire Garage, effective March 13, 1966, to fill a vacancy that exists.

Personnel Committee,

DON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
JOHN M. MALONEY,

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move the committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

#### REPORT OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported one member of his department was off duty from sickness, and invited the members of the Board to meet with the space engineer on the tenth

floor of the Police Building 7:30 Thursday March 10, 1966 regarding building space utilization.

Chief Keenoy reported that five members of the fire department were on sick leave. Assistant Chief Space presented a certificate from the City of Lansing Safety Committee for operating safety during 1965. The Board congratulated the fire department for earning the award.

Commissioner Maloney informed the Board his committee is still working on the police department corporal test information, but a full report was not available at this time.

Fireman Gary Thomas, President of the Fire Fighters Association Local 421, requested that information given to agencies outside the city be available to City of Lansing residents.

## RESOLUTIONS

### Political Activity

#### Prohibited Activities:

No employee of the Police or Fire Department shall be or become a member of any political party committee formed or authorized under the general election laws of the State, nor shall he be or become a delegate to any state, district or county convention held by any political party in this state, nor shall he be or become a member of any national political party committee or participate as a delegate from the State of Michigan in any national political party convention.

#### Political Assessments:

The levying, solicitation, collection or payment of any type of political assessment in the Police or Fire Department is expressly prohibited. This provision shall apply to those who levy, solicit, collect or pay any type of political assessment and also to those who authorize or order such levying, solicitation, collection or payment of any type of political assessment. No member of the Police or Fire Department may be solicited for his assistance with

the nominating or election campaigns of any candidate for any municipal, county or state office. This prohibition shall include but not be restricted to the signing or distribution of petitions for such elective office; the distribution or display of campaign literature; and any and all concerted or organized efforts to influence the casting of votes.

#### Candidates for Public Office:

No member of the Police or Fire Department shall become a candidate for nomination to any elective office without first obtaining a leave of absence. The leave of absence shall remain in effect until such candidacy becomes official by the filing of petitions or by the action of a caucus or convention. When a member of the Police or Fire Department becomes an official candidate for elective office in any manner, or accepts appointment to an elective office, he shall at once resign from his position with the Police or Fire Department.

#### Violations:

Any member of the Police or Fire Department who shall violate any of the provisions of this regulation shall be dismissed from the service of the Police or Fire Department.

Nothing contained in this regulation shall be deemed to restrict a member's right to cast his election ballots in any election as he himself sees fit.

By Commissioner Anderton—

I move this resolution be referred to the City Attorney for legal ramification before approval or denial by the Board.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,  
Secretary.

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That the attached claims be allowed and the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to draw orders on the City Treasurer for the amount allowed each claimant, in the amount of \$121,923.78.

Adopted by the following vote:

Unanimously.

Council adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

THEO FULTON,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan

May 9, 1966

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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, April 20, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by the Chairman, Charles E. Forsythe.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Jamieson, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon, Anderton, Johnson, and Maloney—8.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

A letter requesting reimbursement for glasses broken in line of duty was received from Lieut. Paul Beach.

Comm. Munyon—

I move that the claim be allowed.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Letter referred from Mayor's Office which had been received from the UAW International, Reo Local No. 650 protesting the resolution made by Comm. James Anderton on March 8, 1966, to the Board regarding political activity of Police and Fire employees.

Comm. Anderton—

I move the letter be received and placed on file.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

### **APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS**

April 20, 1966

Honorable Members

Police and Fire Board

Gentlemen :

Attached you will find the resignation of Miss Carol Rouser, Switchboard Operator, effective 4-20-66; Ptlm. Kenneth Bracco, effective 4-6-66; Ptlm. Chas. VanLente, effective 3-28-66; and Ptlm. Daniel Waltz, effective 4-15-66.

It is my recommendation that these resignations be accepted.

Sincerely yours,

CHAS. STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Comm. Dunn—

I move that the resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

Carried.

April 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen :

Attached are the resignations from the Fire Department of Fireman Burton Rob-

son, effective March 8, 1966, and John L. Sutton, Engineer, effective April 10, 1966.

I recommend that their resignations be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

Comm. Anderton—

I move that the resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

April 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend the following applicants be appointed to the Fire Department, effective the listed dates, after passing the required examinations: Theodore Davenport, March 27, 1966, and David Abendroth, April 10, 1966.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,

DON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
WM. P. JAMIESON.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the appointments be confirmed.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

Carried.

April 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee requests that credit toward step increases in all promotions in the Fire Department be permitted when "acting time" has been earned in the next rank, with the following reservations:

If a member has been passed in a promotion, acting time will not be considered as credit in the step increase. If the member promoted has not been passed up during the "acting" period, all of this time will be credited toward the next step increase.

If a member has been passed in the promotion but eventually meets the standards required of him, all of the "acting time" from this determination will be credited toward the next step increase.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,

Signed:

JON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
WM. P. JAMIESON.

Comm. Anderton—

I so move that the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

April 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Jerome Geiger be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective April 10, 1966, to fill a vacancy that exists in the Fire Department.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,

DON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
WM. P. JAMIESON.

Comm. Dunn—

I move the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported that he has one man off duty due to injuries received in a motorcycle accident; and that Sgt. Croy has returned to full duty after being involved in an automobile accident.

He also reported the Police Department is currently conducting an in-service training school, and that starting May 1, a Police Recruit School for nine (9) applicants will be conducted.

Chief Keenoy reported he has three men on sick leave—two due to duty incurred injuries, and one due to the flu.

He reported that all of the hose ordered has not as yet been received; however, that sufficient reserve equipment has been placed at No. 9 station and No. 4 on Penn. Ave., so that all equipment is evenly distributed.

Further, that the Lansing Fire Department has received recognition from the National Chamber of Commerce for work in Fire Prevention.

Chief Keenoy stated that he had just received a letter from University Oldsmobile, expressing their appreciation for the assistance rendered them by members of the Fire Department during their recent fire; especially to members of the Fire Marshal's office for helping them to determine their monetary loss, and their suggestions for improving the building.

#### RESOLUTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Dunn—

I would like to bring up the subject of residency. The Chief of Police has had some problems getting men from the City of Lansing, and I believe we should make a resolution recommending that the ordinance be changed by the Council, making it possible for men to be hired who live in the dial direct Lansing Telephone Exchange. I would like to have this Board submit this request to the Council and see what happens.

Comm. Johnson—

I support it.

The Chairman open the question for discussion. Comm. Maloney stated he felt that certain boundaries should be graphically set up rather than stating persons could be hired from all areas listed in the Lansing Area Telephone Directory.

The Chairman re-stated the motion before the Board for purposes of clarification before calling for a vote as follows:

The motion would be in effect that the districts from which employees could be hired would be listed in the Direct Dial Lansing area of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co., as enumerated in that particular reference at the present time, without charge.

Yea: 4; Nays: 3.

The Motion was declared lost by the Chairman.

Chairman Forsythe cast his vote as a Nay; final vote Yea: 4; Nays: 4.

Comm. Johnson—

Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion that a Committee be appointed, and that graphic areas be set up from which applicants for both Police and Fire Departments may be hired, and that it be submitted at the next board meeting.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

Carried, unanimously.

Chairman Forsythe referred the matter of Residency to the Personnel Committee.

Comm. Anderton stated he was unable to give a report on the matter of fire protection to the City Airport which was referred to his Committee, as he is awaiting an opinion from the City Attorney.

Comm. Dunn—

I would like to make an amendment to our Procedures for Committees established last January; the Personnel Committee to be composed of 5 members, and four to be a quorum—that all members of the Board shall be a member of the Personnel Committee, and a minimum of five to be a quorum.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

The Chairman called for discussion on this proposed amendment.

Comm. Dunn—

I would like to make a motion that the rules of operation of the Board be amended to provide that the Personnel Committee shall consist of all members of the Board, with a quorum of four being necessary to operate under its regulations, and that the change be filed with the City Clerk with the General Procedures. The procedure will be that the appointed Chairman of the Personnel Committee will be the Chairman of the meetings, and will notify all members of the Board of all Personnel Committee meetings.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

more accessible off-street parking at the rear of the building.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: (6).

Nay: (1).

A petition was presented to the Board in protest of the petition by Consumers Power Company to erect a regulator station at 3901 S. Waverly Road. It was moved by Gaus and supported by Keep that the petition be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Keep and supported by McComb that the appeal be granted. It was moved by Gaus and supported by Keep that the minutes of March 10, 1966 be approved.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: (7).

Nay: None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

RAYMOND C. GUERNSEY,  
Secretary.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, May 10, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by Chairman Charles E. Forsythe.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Jamieson, Johnson, Anderton, Maloney, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon—8.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

City Personnel Director D. J. Bodwin submitted the following letter from Dr. Robert C. June, City Physician, regarding the City's ambulance policy:

February 9, 1966

Mr. Daniel J. Bodwin, Personnel Director

City of Lansing, Michigan

Dear Mr. Bodwin:

In pursuant to our telephone conversation today, this is to reaffirm the statement of need for reconsideration of the Lansing Police and Fire Board policy for handling of all accident cases by the Fire Department ambulance.

The present policy is that any accident case be taken to the closest hospital. It is my responsibility to care for injured firemen, policemen and city employees. If these people are taken to the Lansing General Hospital, I will not be called and will be unable to care for them. This applies also to the Board of Water and Light, although I am not their sole physician.

If this is the Board's desire, I have no objections. If, however, they want me and my office to have the primary responsibility of the care, then these cases will have to be taken to one of the three medical hospitals in the community. Please advise me on your policy in this matter.

Sincerely,

ROBERT C. JUNE, M.D.

By Commissioner Schmidt—

I move the resolution adopted by this Board January 11, 1966 be amended to read:

"That on all ambulance calls the patient be taken to the nearest available hospital if feasible."

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

After some discussion on the proposed amendment to the resolution, Chairman Forsythe requested a raised hand vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Schmidt, Johnson, Jamieson, Forsythe—4.

Nays: Commissioners Anderton, Maloney, Munyon, Dunn—4.

The amendment did not carry.

A letter from Warner and Long Realty Company extending sincere thanks and appreciation for concern shown at the time of a fire at the Heritage Arms apartments, April 25, 1966 was referred to the Board by the City Council.

Received and placed on file.

May 10, 1966

Members of the Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are letters from Mr. Raymond O. Anderson, Registrar of the Lansing Community College regarding Dets. Nile McClintic, William Ryan, Corp. Manuel Burtch, Jr., and Det. Richard Fox. Tuition and fees for these men total \$500.50.

Since these men have completed the course in Law Enforcement at the Community College, it is my recommendation that they be reimbursed for their expenses in attending the course.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that these men be re-imburased their expenses in attending the course.

Supported by Commissioner Johnson.

Carried.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Lansing, Michigan

RE: Gordon C. Haley

Gentlemen:

Mr. Haley has presented a claim against the city in the sum of \$4,148.99. This claim was presented through his attorney, Victor C. Anderson. We find, as a matter of law, that the city is not legally obligated to pay this claim.

Mr. Haley was not satisfied with progress being made by Mr. Anderson. He, there-

fore, dismissed his attorney and commenced a claim through workmens compensation. This claim was, on the 25th day of April 1966, dismissed by the referee for failure to proceed as provided by the rules of the Workmens Compensation Board. This dismissal is not like an ordinary criminal dismissal in that Mr. Haley can perfect his claim if he so desires. Whether or not he is entitled to workmens compensation I would not at this time venture to make an opinion.

I think it would be proper for the Police and Fire Board to reconsider this, not from a legal view point, but from a policy view point. Mr. Haley has obviously suffered these medical expenses and it appears that they are related to some degree to his injury while in the employ of the city. There is nothing in the City Charter or Ordinances which would preclude payment of this claim as a policy matter.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN DUZER,  
Chief Assistant City Attorney.

By Commissioner Jamieson—

I move that this case be referred to the Personnel Committee of the Board to study the amount of the medical expenses, the relationship of the treatments to the duty disability injury and other pertinent aspects of the case, and bring the results of their findings to the Board for their recommendations.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

Chairman Forsythe read a notice from City Attorney Eugene G. Wanger to all City Boards regarding the coverage afforded city boards by the city's general insurance policy. A copy of the additional interest endorsement accompanied the notice.

Received and placed on file.

May 9, 1966

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing

Lansing, Michigan

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May 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

This is to notify you that I have made application to be retired on pension from the Lansing Fire Department, effective July 3, 1966.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the members of the Board and the members of the fire department for the splendid cooperation and pleasant associations I have enjoyed during my years of service.

Sincerely yours,

M. J. KEENOVY, Chief.

By Commissioner Maloney—

I move that Chief Keenoy's resignation from the department be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Anderton—

Carried.

May 10, 1966

Members of the Police  
and Fire Board

Gentlemen:

Attached you will find the resignation of Lieut. O. M. Peterson, who has made application to be placed on retirement, effective May 11, 1966.

It is my recommendation that his resignation be accepted.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that his resignation be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

May 8, 1966

Police and Fire Board  
Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached are the resignations of Fireman James Emenhiser, effective May 3, 1966 and Thomas Stoll, effective May 11, 1966, from the Lansing Fire Department.

I recommend they be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. J. KEENOVY, Chief.

By Commissioner Anderton—

I move the resignations be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

May 10, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee recommends that Gary Lee Thomas be appointed to the fire department, effective May 8, 1966.

Personnel Committee,  
DON F. JOHNSON,  
JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
JACK K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
JOHN M. MALONEY,

By Commissioner Anderton—

I move the report of the Committee be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Jamieson.

Carried.

Commissioner Don Johnson, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, read the following request from Chief Stragier and Master Mechanic Virgil Gurecki:

April 28, 1966

Personnel Committee

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The need for additional supervision in the Police and Fire Garage was indicated in a previous request to the Police and Fire Board. Since the institution of a second shift in the Garage, supervision is available only through call back procedure of the Master Mechanic or the Assistant Mechanic.

To correct this situation, we recommend the following request be submitted to the Director of Personnel:

That Police Mechanic IVA Raymond Felpausch be reclassified to Mechanic VA.

This procedure will furnish adequate supervision for the Garage and will place the salary of the two assistants in close proximity.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police,

VIRGIL GURECKI,  
Master Mechanic.

By Commissioner Johnson—

I move this request be submitted to the Personnel Director.

Supported by Commissioner Schmidt.

Carried.

By Commissioner Johnson—

The Personnel Committee requests that the following recommendation be approved for submitting to the City Council for their action:

That policemen and firemen be permitted to reside in the area bounded by State Road (on the north); Abbott Road (extended straight line to the north and south, on the east); Holt Road (on the south) and Williams and Waddell Road (extended straight line to the north and south, on the west).

Supported by Commissioner Dunn—

Carried.

Commissioner Dunn reported that the micro wave equipment is to be tested this week.

#### REPORT OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported that one of his officers was off duty due to injury, and two members were off duty due to sickness. Ten new members were attending the recruit school, and that a command officer school would start later this month.

Chief Keenoy reported that five members were on sick leave and that sod had been applied to the grounds at No. 4 Station.

#### RESOLUTION

May 10, 1966

On behalf of the Lansing Fire Board, we

would like to commend Chief Marchus Keenoy for his years of loyal and dedicated service to the Lansing Fire Department. During the seven years he served as Chief of the Lansing Fire Department, our city has witnessed the expansion of an alert, conscientious crew of firemen dedicated to the preventive and protective service of Lansing. In seeking to provide the Department with modern equipment and excellent facilities, Chief Keenoy has demonstrated continued concern for the welfare of his men. The result has been a fire department that has been the envy of many American cities of comparable size.

It is with deep regret and a sense of lost leadership of vital service to our community, that the Board accepts the resignation of Chief Keenoy. May the knowledge that he has performed a valuable service for so many during the past twenty-six years and that the service rendered by him will be long remembered by a grateful community, remain a source of personal strength and satisfaction as he looks to the future.

The Lansing Police and Fire Board:

W. P. JAMIESON,  
D. F. JOHNSON,  
J. F. ANDERTON,  
J. M. MALONEY,  
C. E. FORSYTHE,  
J. K. DUNN,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
W. H. MUNYON,

Civil Defense Director James Holcomb thanked Chief Keenoy for the fine cooperation and assistance he has always provided to him and the Civil Defense program since he assumed the duties of Director of Civil Defense.

The Board adjourned.

WILLIAM R. GREW,  
Secretary.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, June 14, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by the Vice-Chairman, Donald F. Johnson.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Jamieson, Johnson, Anderton, Maloney, Dunn, Schmidt and Munyon—7.

Absent: Comm. Forsythe—1.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Letter of congratulations received from Rev. Wm. S. Hill, St. Paul's Episcopal Church commanding police officers on the recent kidnaping of two Sunday School Teachers.

Received and placed on file.

June 13, 1966

Members of the Police and

Fire Board

Gentlemen :

I have received letters from Mr. Raymond O. Anderson, Registrar of the Lansing Community College regarding the following officers itemizing the total tuition paid by them from the Fall term, 1963, to the Spring term, 1966; William Cochran, Richard Gleason, Joseph Hibbard and Carroll Lee. The total tuition fees for these men are \$493.00.

It is my recommendation that the above officers be reimbursed for the tuition they have paid.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

Comm. Munyon—

I move that these men be reimbursed.  
Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Letter received from Dr. Robert June stating the cost of pre-employment examinations will be increased from \$5 to \$8, effective June 30, 1966, at 6:00 P.M.

Received and placed on file.

Letter of commendation from Mr. Ronald E. Weger, Roosevelt Hotel, for the men of the Fire Department during recent fire at the hotel.

Received and placed on file.

Copy of the editorial of WJIM-TV concerning work of the Fire Department during the Roosevelt Hotel fire.

Received and placed on file.

Communication from the U. of M. Extension Service thanking Fire Marshal Phillip Alber for the presentation given at the Michigan Fire College.

Received and placed on file.

Letter from James A. Holcomb, Director of Civil Defense inviting Fire Department to participate in the Annual Soap Box Derby parade, June 25, 1966.

Received and placed on file, with acceptance of invitation.

## **APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS**

June 14, 1966

Members of the Police and

Fire Board

Gentlemen :

I am attaching the resignations of the following officers: Ptlm. Jack Beeson, effec. 6-6-66; Ptlm. Duane Gordon, effec. 6-14-66; Ptlm. Joseph Kimble, effec. 5-30-66; Ptlm. Harold Barden, effec. 6-14-66; Ptlm. Paul Yarnell, effec. 6-22-66; and Ptlm. Wm. Morris, effec. 6-1-66.

Also attached are resignations of the following civilians: Martha Taylor, effec. 6-1-66; and Loretta Brewer, effec. 6-1-66, both switchboard operators.

It is my recommendation that the above resignations be accepted.

Sincerely yours,  
**CHARLES STRAGIER,**  
 Chief of Police.

Comm. Anderton—

I so move that their resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.  
 Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

June 18, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Equipment and Specifications Committee met with Asst. Chief V. E. Space, Master Mechanic V.P. Gurecki, and Deputy Chief D. H. Burnett to review the specifications for a new 85 ft. aerial ladder truck for the fire department.

We recommend the revised specifications be approved by the Board, and that they be submitted to the Purchasing Director for use in advertising for bids.

**EQUIPMENT AND SPECIFICATIONS COMMITTEE,**  
 JACK K. DUNN,  
 A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
 WM. P. JAMIESON,

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the committee report be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Jamieson.  
 Carried.

June 1, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend that Wendell Gibson be appointed to the Fire Dept., effective June 5, 1966.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,**  
 DON F. JOHNSON,  
 JAMES F. ANDERTON,  
 JACK K. DUNN,  
 A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
 JOHN M. MALONEY,

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the committee report be adopted.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.  
 Carried.

June 9, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Dear Sirs:

We recommend that Assistant Fire Chief Victor Space be promoted to the rank of Fire Chief effective July 1, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,  
**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,**

D. F. JOHNSON,  
 A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
 J. K. DUNN,  
 J. F. ANDERTON,  
 J. M. MALONEY,  
 W. P. JAMIESON,  
 W. H. MUNYON,

By Comm. Anderton—

I so move that Asst. Fire Chief Victor Space be promoted to the rank of Fire Chief, effective July 1, 1966.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.  
 Carried Unanimously.

Comm. Dunn reported to the Board that the new microwave system is now in operation.

June 13, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The 1964 and 1966 fire hose ordered from the Reliable Fire Equipment Company shows extensive wear and damage, and some of the hose is not suitable to continue in service.

I recommend that the Police and Fire Board submit a request to the City Purchasing Agent and to a representative of the Reliable Fire Equipment Company for inspection of the hose, so replacements or adjustments may be made.

Respectfully yours,  
 M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

Referred to the Equipment and Specifications Committee with instructions that a letter be forwarded to the Purchasing Agent.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier expressed appreciation to Comm. Jamieson for his assistance while a member of the Board.

There are three police officers on extended sick leave; one as a result of a traffic motorcycle accident; two others due to other surgery.

A command officers training school has been satisfactorily completed for Sergeants and Lieutenants.

We will have a rough copy of the rule book completed before the next board meeting, which we hope to get to the board members before the meeting, along with the City Attorney, to make whatever corrections and deletions may be necessary.

Our drill team won 1st prize at the Eagle convention, winning \$75, which they returned to the Eagle Youth Fund.

We also sponsored three rigs in the Soap Box Derby, the men by taking up a collection sponsored the youngsters.

Our recruit school applicants will graduate June 29, 1966, and the Board members will be given an opportunity to meet these men and look over what we feel is a fine group.

The Michigan Chiefs of Police Association is holding its convention at Marquette, Michigan, and I would like to have permission to attend it. The money has already been appropriated for my expenses.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the Chief be granted permission to attend the Michigan Chiefs of Police Convention at Marquette.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

Carried.

I would also like to report that 518 tickets were written on the "Avenue" in May, and 121 tickets in June.

Chief Keenoy requested Asst. Chief Victor Space give the report for the Fire Dept.

Asst. Chief Space expressed his appreciation to Comm. Jamieson for his assistance while a member of the board, and of his regret in his leaving.

He reported he presently has six men on extended sick leave; one man presently in reserve training; and three more men soon to be leaving the department for reserve training.

Asst. Chief Space requested that a meeting of the Personnel Committee be scheduled for purposes of interviewing firemen who have been recently hired, but who have not yet been before the Committee.

I have a report of all the men called back during the Hotel Roosevelt fire, 42 in all, for whatever your pleasure is on this; as I recall in the Heritage Arms Construction project trouble, the officers who were called back to duty were given overtime pay. I don't know if you men wish to discuss this or not, but I do have a list of men who were called back.

Comm. Anderton—

I so move that the list be submitted to the Personnel Committee for its action.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

June 14, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Firemen Melvin Lear and Miles Green have completed the usual probationary period, and have passed the required physical examinations. Reports from their officers indicate their work has been satisfactory.

I recommend their appointments to the fire department be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEENOY, Chief.

At this time Asst. Chief Victor Space introduced Mr. Wallace Lloyd and Mr. Burton Shane, representatives of the American Insurance Association of Chicago, who are at the present time conducting a survey, as requested by Mayor Murningham, of the fire protection facilities of the City of Lansing.

Mr. Lloyd answered questions from members of the Board and assured members that each would receive a copy of their findings with certain recommendations at the completion of their study.

At this time Vice Chairman Johnson expressed the regrets of the entire Board to Comm. Jamieson on his leaving and wished him well in his new locality.

Comm. Schmidt asked the Vice Chairman if a Nominating Committee should be appointed at this meeting.

At this time Vice Chairman Johnson appointed Mr. Munyon, Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Maloney as the members of the Nominating Committee, to report back their nominations at the next board meeting.

Comm. Anderton—

I move that the meeting be adjourned.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

YVONNE BROWN,  
Secretary of the Board.

the past Master Plan recommendations that the secretary should inform the school board that they should increase the area by acquiring additional property to avoid overuse.

Motion by Kelley, seconded by Jones that the minutes of May 12 and June 23, 1966 be approved.

Mr. Houck asked that the minutes of June 23rd be amended on Page 3. Appeal No. 1509 the second paragraph to read as follows:

Mrs. Houck asked why would you have to have trucks driving on two sides, couldn't you have a loading dock on one side only?

Mr. Brown: No loading dock, it's on two sides, a super market is laid out such you'll have meats on one side and your

cooler for the produce and groceries will be on the other side.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. McComb questioned the enforcement of front yard parking. Some discussion followed.

A letter under the signature of the new Chairman is to be submitted to City Council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

RAYMOND C. GUERNSEY,  
Secretary.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

### Proceedings, August 9, 1966

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by the Chairman Donald F. Johnson.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Anderton, Maloney, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, and Munyon—8.

Absent: None.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed, with the exception that the title of the proceedings be changed from "The Official Proceedings of the Policemen's and Firemen's Retirement System to read: Official Proceedings of the Police and Fire Board of the City of Lansing."

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Request was received from Mr. James Holcomb, Director of the Office of Civil Defense that permission be given the Office of Civil Defense to utilize the basement of No. 4 Fire Station for office purposes.

The motion was made by Comm. Munyon that this request be granted, provided that

it would not entail any expense to either the Police or Fire Departments.

Supported by Comm. Forsythe.

Carried.

From the City Council Meeting of August 1, 1966; advising the Board their request for boundary changes in which personnel of the Police and Fire Dept. may reside was denied.

Received and placed on file.

From Chief Chas. Stragier, a request that personnel of the Police Department who were required to work over-time during the recent Municipal Employees strike be financially compensated.

Comm. Anderton: I so move that they be paid, and that a letter be forwarded to the City Council with this recommendation.

Supported by Comm. Forsythe.

Carried.

Communication from Fire Chief Space that firemen who were required to work over-time during the recent Lansing Furniture Company fire be compensated.

A discussion followed as to whether firemen had been compensated for overtime work during the Hotel Roosevelt fire as well, and the following motion was made:

By Comm. Munyon—

I so move that the firefighters be compensated for overtime hours required during both the Hotel Roosevelt and the Lansing Furniture Store fires, and that a letter be forwarded to the Council recommending that they be paid.

Supported by Comm. Maloney.

The matter of future policy and advisability of automatic over-time being paid to those persons required to work overtime in emergency situations was referred to Comm. Munyon, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, with a request that a report be made at the next meeting.

#### APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

Letter received from Chief Victor Space recommending that Firemen Terry Apple and Rodney Hunt be confirmed.

By Comm. Dunn—

I move that upon the recommendation of Chief Space, these firemen be confirmed.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

Letter received from Chief Stragier recommending that Miss Pamela Hnatiw be confirmed as a Policewoman.

By Comm. Maloney—

I move that this recommendation be approved.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Chief Space submitted a copy of the letter forwarded to Mr. Wendell Gibson 800 W. Lenawee Street, Lansing, notifying him of the termination of his employment with the Lansing Fire Department.

By Comm. Munyon—

I move that the communication to Mr.

Gibson from the Fire Chief be supported wholeheartedly by this Board.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported that 8 police officers have been injured during the recent riot, none being too serious, with the exception of Patrolman James Bennett who was struck in the head by a piece of cement, and whose injuries required surgery. Two officers, both injured in off-duty accidents are still on sick leave, but progressing satisfactorily.

Chief Space reported he had 27 men injured at the Lansing Furniture fire; seven were hospitalized, with one still in the hospital as a result of a broken hip, having fallen off the roof.

He also reported that one fireman was struck by a brick on No. 2 Ladder Truck, during the present demonstration; however, did not require hospitalization, or lose any duty time.

Further, with the exception of the one hospitalized fireman, the other men are expected to report for duty by the end of this week.

Chief Space also reported a new silent alarm system has been instigated on a 30 day trial basis whereby only the company in the area involved is alerted rather than all companies as in the past. This has been proven more satisfactory, according to medical authorities, from the standpoint of physical reactions on the men.

Chairman Donald Johnson stated he wished to assure Police Chief Stragier, that the Board is 100% behind him in any action that is necessary to be taken, in the present riot situation. Also that the Board wishes to commend the Fire Department on their coverage of the Lansing Furniture fire.

Insp. O'Toole requested clarification of two recommended changes of the proposed rule book for the Police Department which were discussed at the special meeting.

Discussion followed, and it was decided that the rule book should be printed with recommended changes as discussed at the special meeting; and that any further changes which should be made, will be made by amendment.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

**YVONNE BROWN,**  
Secretary of the Board.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Special Meeting, August 24, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in a special session, and was called to order by Chairman Donald F. Johnson.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Maloney, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon—6.

Absent: Commissioner Forsythe—1.

Commissioner Forsythe was excused from the meeting.

## APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

Assistant Chief Burnett presented a notification from Captain Jack O'Brien that he had made application to be retired on pension, effective September 11, 1966.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that Captain O'Brien's resignation from the department be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Personnel Committee recommends that Instructor Carl Barratt be reclassified to Deputy Fire Chief in the administration of the fire department.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I recommend the committee report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Kelly.  
Carried.

By Commissioner Kelly—

I recommend that this reclassification be effective August 28, 1966, and that a notice be sent to all stations that applications will be accepted by the fire chief from all members interested in transferring to the Instructor's Division.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

## RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Schmidt—

I move that the damaged equipment be replaced and the new fire fighting equipment needed, as requested by Chief Space, be ordered at once.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I recommend that we approve the request by Chief Space for re-imbursement for food that was used by each fire station during the call back for the Lansing Furniture Company fire. The total amounts to \$51.96.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

By Commissioner Schmidt—

I move that when the regular Board Secretary is not present at a Committee of The Whole meeting, the Vice Chairman will record the minutes; and the Vice Chairman of each committee will record the minutes of committee meetings.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

I move that a copy of the minutes of all future Board meetings be mailed to each Board member by the Secretary.

Supported by Commissioner Maloney.

Carried.

Chairman Johnson requested that the next regular Board meeting be held September 15, 1966 instead of September 18, 1966. The Board approved his request.

The Board adjourned.

Commissioner,

**A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,**  
Acting Secretary.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, September 15, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session and was called to order by Chairman Don F. Johnson.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon—6.

Absent: Commissioner Maloney—1.

Commissioner Maloney was excused from the meeting.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The City Council referred the following action to the Board:

By Councilman Bradshaw—

It has come to his attention that one group of City employees, i.e. Policemen and Firemen, are not covered by Social Security benefits. This be referred to the Policemen and Firemen Retirement System, the Board of Police and Fire and the Personnel Committee for a report back.

Carried.

By Commissioner Munyon—

The Social Security program needs a State enabling act before policemen and firemen can receive the benefits. I move the Board take this under full study and report back at a later date.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

Chief Stragier presented a request from Detective Robert Moss for reimbursement

of \$14.00 for a pair of slacks that were ruined while he was on riot duty.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that Detective Moss be reimbursed the \$14.00.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

Police and Fire Board

City of Lansing:

Dear Sir:

The following action was taken by the Park Board at the regular meeting held on August 10, 1966, and although self-explanatory, I also want to praise the Department for its attitude and method of handling the situation.

"By the Public Relations Committee—

That the Chief of Police and the Police and Fire Board be commended for the good work of the police officers in protecting the public property under our jurisdiction during the recent strike, and for the efficient manner in handling personal incidents.

Carried."

Sincerely,

CHARLES G. HAYDEN,  
Director,  
Parks and Recreation.

Received with appreciation, and an acknowledgement be forwarded to the Park Board.

Patrolman Lynn Thomas Munshaw submitted a request for permission to settle a claim with the Hartford Insurance Group as payment in full for injuries suffered in an automobile accident with their client, Margaret Hermes, on October 17, 1964.

Received and placed on file.

**APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS**

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Attached is a notice from Engineer Theodore Allen that he has made application to be retired from the Lansing Fire Department effective October 9, 1966.

Engineer Theodore Allen was appointed to the fire department November 1, 1938, and he has completed nearly 28 years of service with the fire department.

Respectfully submitted,

**VICTOR E. SPACE,  
Chief.**

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move his retirement be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Kelly.

Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

We recommend the resolution passed by the Police and Fire Board September 14, 1965 permitting the chiefs of the police and fire departments to hire men for probationary employment, subject to final acceptance by the Personnel Committee, be rescinded.

We further recommend that applicants for both departments be interviewed by the Personnel Committee during one of the monthly Personnel Committee meetings at 1:00 P.M., the first and the third Tuesdays of each month.

Personnel Committee,

**JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman.**

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move that the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Yeas: 5      Nays: 1

Carried.

Commissioner Munyon informed the Board that the City Council had made a

cash settlement for the medical bills incurred by Gordon Haley. He will have a report later on the medical bills submitted by Percy LaLonde.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

Chief Stragier reported that no members of his department were on sick leave. The remodeling of the first and fourth floors was almost completed, and the radio was now in service in the new location. He informed the Board that they did not need the Gamewell system in the future, and felt that it should be returned to the Fire Alarm Division or be disposed of.

By Commissioner Kelly—

I move we refer the disposal of the Gamewell equipment to the Equipment and Specifications Committee, and have their finding reported back to the Board.

Supported by Commissioner Schmidt.

Carried.

The Board granted permission for Chief Stragier to attend the International Police Chief's Association conference in Philadelphia, Penn.

Chief Space reported that four members were on sick leave, and that the security fence has been installed on the Alarm Division property. The building is now being painted.

Assistant Chief Burnett reported that most of the fire fighting equipment that was damaged or badly needed had been ordered.

Chief Space reported that the defective fire hose has been packed and is being shipped back to the factory. He recommended to the Board that the hose specifications be re-written to assure the purchase of safe and durable fire hose. The members of the Board had not approved the purchase of the hose that proved to be defective, and during the discussion that followed indicated they felt that better specifications should be mandatory.

Gary Thomas, President of Fire Fighter's Local 421, thanked the members of the Board for requesting overtime pay for members reporting back to duty during the two large fires and the riots. He respectfully requested the Board to look into the situation of standardizing the amounts for overtime pay. He stated he had received information that Social Security benefits for policemen and firemen must be requested in Washington; that the State must pass enabling legislation and that the employees must approve it also. He felt the majority of the firemen would rather have the additional money the City would have to pay for these benefits used to increase the benefits in the present pension plan.

Chairman Johnson assigned the Chairman of the Personnel Committee, Commissioner Dunn, to inquire into the standardization of overtime pay and report his findings back to the Board.

Commissioner Schmidt informed the members of the Board that he had checked three sites for training purposes with Mayor Murningham, Collins Thornton and Assistant Chief Burnett. The most favorable site is being studied to present to the Board.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move we adjourn.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn—

Carried.

WILLIAM R. GREW,  
Secretary.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICEMEN'S AND FIREMEN'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM

### Proceedings, September 20, 1966

September 20, 1966

Lansing, Michigan

Retirement Board Room

8th Floor, City Hall

3:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Reading of minutes of the last regular meeting August 23, 1966.

4. Secretary Reports:

3 new members, 0 reinstatements and 1 refund since last regular meeting.  
Refund amounting to \$45.98.  
Retirement allowances paid for the month of August, 1966, \$17,629.62.  
Total Membership: 450

5. Application for retirement of Mr. Theodore M. Allen, Fire Department, 28 years of service and 54 years of age; will be 55 on October 20, 1966.

6. Securities on hand.

7. Investments of funds.

T/C

By Councilman Anas—

I move that the resolution, as amended, be adopted.

Adopted by the following vote:

Unanimously.

By Councilman Dean—

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing:

That the attached claims be allowed and the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to draw orders on the City Treasurer

for the amount allowed each claimant, in the amount of \$205,509.01.

Adopted by the following vote:

Unanimously.

Council adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

THEO FULTON,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan

October 18, 1966

F/B

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, October 11, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session, and was called to order by the Chairman, Donald Johnson.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, and Drews—6.

Absent: Commissioner Munyon—1.

Commissioner Munyon was excused from the meeting.

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting.

Comm. Kelly requested that the minutes of the previous meeting be corrected to read as follows: (Page 1189—Report of Officers: By Comm. Kelly).

"I move we refer the disposal of the Gamewell equipment to the Equipment and Specifications Committee with authority to act, and to report their action back to the Board."

Comm. Dunn—

I move that with this correction, the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

Supported by Comm. Kelly.

Carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

From the City Council regarding the appointment of Dr. Robt. Drews to serve the 3rd Ward on the Police and Fire Board to fill an unexpired term ending June 30, 1967.

Received and placed on file.

At this time Chairman Johnson welcomed Dr. Drews as a member of the Board.

A letter of appreciation was received from Dr. and Mrs. E. I. Carr enclosing a \$50 check for the Police Retirement Fund.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that we accept the check.

Supported by Comm. Forsythe with the request that a letter be forwarded to Dr. and Mrs. Carr for their generosity.

Carried.

A letter from Mr. Raymond Burgess, Secretary of the Police and Fire Retirement System was received which set forth the method of computing Overtime and Accumulated Sick Leave payments.

Received and placed on file, with the request that a copy of this letter be made for each Board Member.

## APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

Letters of resignation were received from Ptlm. Nathan Foltz, effective 10/12/66; Ptlm. Terry Morford, effective 10/14/66; Ptlm. Edw. Morris, effective 9/30/66; and Ptlm. Richard Pulford, effective 10/7/66.

Comm. Forsythe—

I move that these resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

October 4, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee recommends the following promotions in the Fire Department to fill vacancies that exist, effective October 8, 1966:

Lieut. James Swick to Captain.

Eng. Robt. Nalett to Lieutenant.

Firemen Richard Elliott and Richard Esch to Engineer.

Personnel Committee,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the Committee report be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Drews.

At this time Comm. Kelly brought up the matter of the Personnel Committee's meeting in closed session, and making a public announcement of four promotions in the Fire Department before official action had been taken by the Board in regular meeting. He requested a roll call of the vote regarding these promotions.

The roll call was as follows:

Comm. Johnson, Schmidt, Dunn, Drews, and Munyon—all in the affirmative.

Comm. Kelly and Chairman Johnson discussed the pros and cons of the advisability of eliminating closed meetings.

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

October 5, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Phillip J. Vasilion has been interviewed by Supt. of Fire Alarms George Beak and myself for a position as Lineman in the Fire Alarm Division.

I recommend he be appointed to Lineman I in the Fire Alarm Division, effective October 9, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR E. SPACE,  
Chief.

Chief Space reported that Mr. Vasilion had been interviewed and accepted prior to the Board's rescinding their motion allowing the Fire and Police Chiefs to hire personnel, subject to the Board's approval.

By Comm. Dunn—

I move that we accept the Chief's letter, and that Phillip Vasilion be hired as a Lineman.

Supported by Comm. Drews.

Carried.

Chief Space reported that he still has four men on sick leave.

The Chief read a copy of his letter forwarded to Mr. Collins Thornton, Executive Assistant to the Mayor setting forth his recommendation for the Capital Improvement Plan for the next fiscal period. Items recommended and which were also discussed with the Fiscal Study Committee for their improvement plan were approval for a training tower and facilities; the replacement of No. 4 Ladder, and the retirement of No. 5 Ladder. Also recommended was replacing Squad No. 3 and No. 3 Engine. The total estimated cost being \$185,000.

Chief Stragier reported that he does not have any officers off duty due to extended illness at this time; however, did report that Matron Peterson is hospitalized due to minor surgery.

He also reported that the Police Department is presently conducting an In-Service Training School.

Insp. O'Toole reported that he, too, had met with the Fiscal Study Committee and that due to the short notice he received of the scheduled meeting; it was necessary to project estimated needs in generalities. He stated that plans for completing the Dispatch area on the 1st floor would neces-

sitate requesting from \$14,000 to \$16,000 in our next budget. Comparison of wages with other Police Departments in the area were also discussed with this committee.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Kelly raised the question as to who was authorized to release publicity for the Board.

Chairman Johnson stated that as Chairman of the Board he was authorized to release publicity, as did the former chairman of the Board.

Comm. Kelly cited a recent news broadcast concerning board committee action which was erroneous.

Chairman Johnson stated it was unfortunate this news item had been aired; however, the information had not been released by the Board.

Comm. Kelly again reiterated his feelings concerning the elimination of closed meetings stating he personally felt the press and news media are our best friends, and should be allowed to attend any meeting so

they can obtain background information on matters which the Board will act on at a later time.

Chairman Johnson stated he had no objections to the news media being present at the Board's meetings, if it was the Board's wish; however, he doubted the advisability of their being present at all meetings. That he was definitely against discussing personnel matters in public; stating he did not feel it was fair to the men involved.

Chairman Johnson stated he would be happy to discuss this further with Comm. Kelly at the close of the regular business meeting, if he so desired.

There being no further business, the motion was made by Comm. Kelly that the meeting be adjourned.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

YVONNE BROWN,  
Administrative Asst.,  
Secretary of the Board.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE TRAFFIC BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, October 12, 1966**

October 14, 1966

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fraser at 7:10 P.M.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Board members Baldwin, Black, Dunnebacke, Fraser, Irion, Nama and Ridle—7.

Absent: Board member Nelson and Ex-officio member Eddie—2.

Curt Hanes of the State Journal was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

Parking Revenue report was received.

The Intersection Accident report was received.

The Parking Checker report for September was discussed briefly.

A report was made by Mr. Pohl on the Parking Mall. The mall will have a 41 foot aisle for emergency vehicles such as fire fighting vehicles and ambulances. The mall will service 222 vehicles. There will be a parking lot attendant at each block. Planter tubs will be used for beautification purposes. Parking will be permitted 8 A.M.-9 P.M. Mondays and Fridays, 8 A.M.-6 P.M. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays with the exception of the Christmas season when the stores are open every evening. The parking rate will be 10c for the first two hours and 25c per hour thereafter. Gates controlled by detectors and buttons will permit southbound buses and emergency vehicles to pass through the parking

Letter from Mrs. E. K. Gustafson asking for sidewalk thru Wainwright Park.

Referred to the Committee on Streets and Sidewalks.

Letter of Intent from Geo. W. Cawood Associates to extend sewer in Jerome Street.

Motion by Mr. Mosher supported by Mr. Guyselman that the Board recommend to the Council that the request be approved subject to the receipt of the necessary bonds.

Carried.

Letter from the Director of Public Service recommending changes in the "Letter of Intent" form.

Motion by Mr. Guyselman supported by Mr. Hack that the Board recommend to the City Council that the proposed Letter of Intent be approved.

Carried.

Committee report from the Committees on Waste Disposal and Streets and Side-

walks recommending that in accordance with Section 7.19 (a) and 7.20 (b) of the City Charter that the Six Year Capitol Improvement Program be approved by the Board of Public Service and forwarded to the Planning Department for their consideration.

Motion by Mr. Mosher supported by Mr. Faggion that the report of the Committees be approved.

Carried.

Director of Public Service reported on the status of sewer contracts, preparation for snow removal, parking ramp contracts and the parking mall.

Waste Disposal Committee was directed to meet with the Council Committee on Public Service and Highways within the next 20 days to discuss problems of the sanitary landfill.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. WAIDELICH,  
Secretary.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

### Proceedings, November 8, 1966

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Chairman, Donald F. Johnson.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Drews, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, Munyon —7.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move the minutes of the previous session be approved as printed.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

Chief Stragier introduced James David,

Gerald Baker and Gerald Dennis, three young men that assisted in apprehending a burglar, to the members of the Board.

Chairman Don Johnson congratulated the young men, and expressed the appreciation of the Board for their fine citizenship and illustrious efforts toward protecting the people of our City. Each member of the Board personally congratulated them as they were presented with certificates of merit.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

The Board received a letter from Mrs. Kenneth Block regarding a controversy with the Board of Control for the Flag Football League, sponsored by the Fire Fighters Association.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move this complaint be investigated and cleared up by Assistant Chief Burnett and Commissioner Schmidt.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

The Board received a letter of appreciation from Attorney Paul Watzel for the fine services rendered by Kenneth Brandis and Rodney Hunt of the Ambulance Crew during a call when his wife was seriously ill.

Chief Space was directed to have a copy of the letter posted in the stations and a copy placed in each man's personnel file.

The letter was received and placed on file.

Chief Space presented a letter of thanks from Royal S. Peters, PDC of the United Spanish War Veterans for the services of the fire department during their 68th National Encampment.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Space presented a letter of thanks from the Board of Education for the fine cooperation of the fire department in making adjustments on the fire alarm system at Central Library.

Copy posted on all bulletin boards; Received and placed on file.

Chief Space presented a letter of thanks from Alfred S. Arkley, 221 S. Bingham, for having the old fire station (Radio Division Building) at the corner of Bingham and Prospect painted.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Space presented a letter from the Blaze Guard Manufacturing Company advising him that four lengths of fire hose have been repaired or replaced, and are being returned.

#### APPLICATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

November 7, 1966

Members of the Police and

Fire Board:

Gentlemen :

I am submitting the letter of resignation of Patrolman Michael Peasley, effective

October 28, 1966; and Detective Lieutenant Lowden Henderson has informed me he has made application to be retired on pension from the police department effective December 1, 1966.

It is my recommendation that the resignation and notice of retirement be accepted.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move the resignation and notice of retirement be accepted.

Supported by Commissioner Forsythe.

Carried.

November 8, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen :

The following firemen have completed their probationary periods and have passed physical examinations. Reports from their officers indicate their work has been satisfactory:

Walter Barnes, John Collins, LaVerne Counsellor, Larry Earls, Jerry Ericks, John Falcik, James Florian, John Gillengerten, Terry Hinman, Samuel Hopkins, Andrew Jackson, Rodger LaLonde, Clyde Lickman, David Miller, Duane Miller, Arthur Overly, Keith Pardee, David Patrick, David Pleshak, Michael Roberts, Dominic Spagnuolo, Monte Thocker, Douglas Watters, Roger Wolcott, David Womack.

I recommend their appointment to the fire department be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR E. SPACE,  
Chief.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move that the appointment of these twenty-five men to the fire department be confirmed.

Supported by Commissioner Forsythe.

Carried.

November 1, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen :

Your Ways and Means Committee has investigated the request for payment of

medical bills and reimbursement of paid medical bills of retired fire department Lieutenant Percy G. LaLonde. Lieut. LaLonde was retired on duty disability pension from the fire department January 22, 1961.

We recommend that all medical bills incurred by Percy G. LaLonde since January 22, 1961 not be paid or reimbursed by the City of Lansing. This decision was reached because of the attached opinion of the City Attorney.

Ways and Means Committee,

WALTER H. MUNYON,  
Chairman,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Commissioner.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

(Attached Opinion)

Mr. Walter H. Munyon

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

RE: Medical bills of Percy LaLonde

Dear Mr. Munyon:

You have requested my opinion as to whether or not the city is legally obligated to pay, or reimburse the payment of, medical bills of the above person.

You have advised me that on January 22, 1961, Mr. LaLonde, a Lansing fireman, took duty disability retirement because of a heart attack suffered at a fire and its effect on his health. On February 22, 1964 Mr. LaLonde took complete retirement. The medical bills in question were after January 22, 1961.

Under the above fact, of which you have advised me, it is my opinion that the city is not legally obligated to pay the medical bills in question.

Respectfully yours,

EUGENE G. WANGER,  
City Attorney.

November 1, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee recommends the following promotion in the fire depart-

ment, effective November 6, 1966, to fill a vacancy that exists:

Lieutenant Raymond P. Brethauer to Fire Training Instructor VI.

Personnel Committee,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Forsythe.

Carried.

October 19, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Training and Public Relations Committee recommends deleting the Corporal examination in the police department. At this time only the Corporal rank requires an examination.

In our opinion, if an examination is necessary for promotion to one rank, it should be required for promotion to all ranks.

Your Training Committee is conferring with the police and fire departments regarding the establishment of further examinations based on the rule book of both departments.

Training and Public Relations Committee,

WALTER H. MUNYON,  
Chairman.

By Commissioner Munyon—

I move the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported a member of the police department was off duty due to an injury.

The in service training and recruit training programs are proceeding on schedule. The Cadet School recently initiated is progressing satisfactorily.

Chief Stragier reported the open house at the police department was successful, and over 350 people visited the department on Sunday.

Chairman Johnson appointed Commissioner Munyon, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, to investigate types of awards for presentation to policemen, firemen and civilians for meritorious service above the normal course of duty.

Chief Space reported that one member of the fire department was on sick leave.

Assistant Chief Burnett reported that he and Fire Marshal Alber met with Mr. Bergman of the Community College regarding the proposed fire science course to be offered. Due to the absence of a qualified instructor and need for time to initiate the course, it was decided that next fall would be the proper time to offer the course of instruction.

Commissioner Schmidt reported that no definite answer had been received from the Public Service Board regarding the property on Alpha street desired for the fire department training site.

Commissioner Kelly inquired of both chiefs if the literature he had submitted was of any value for use in promotion examinations. Both chiefs replied the literature was being evaluated and a further report would be given at the next meeting. Chief Stragier stated his department was surveying the crime check program that was in effect in Flint.

Commissioner Kelly asked the Board if the dispatch offices of both departments

were sufficiently protected against outside interference and damaging intentions. Both chiefs explained the protection available and emergency operating procedures should damage occur.

#### RESOLUTIONS

By Commissioner Munyon—

I recommend the Board submit a request to Personnel Director Daniel Bodwin requesting that the civilian employees of the Police and Fire Garage be permitted to earn holiday pay for working November 11, 1966. The work load in the garage is too great to permit compensatory time repayment. Without their services the minimum requirement of manpower to operate this weekend will not be available.

Supported by Commissioner Dunn.

Carried.

By Commissioner Kelly—

Now that the election is over, it is the hope of the Police and Fire Board that every effort will be made to end any animosity between the two departments, and both departments will make every effort to resume the splendid cooperation which has been historical in the City of Lansing.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

By Commissioner Dunn—

I move the Board adjourn.

Supported by Commissioner Munyon.

Carried.

WILLIAM R. GREW,  
Secretary.

WHEREAS his quiet, unassuming competence, his dependable service, his honesty, regularity and sincerity have been noted and appreciated by his fellow employees and administrators, and

WHEREAS the Park Board wishes to publicly recognize the qualities that made him a valuable employee, and in appreciation express its gratitude,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Howard Jones be so advised and wished many years of happiness and bountiful living with good health and happy memories.

Carried.

Director's report included conditions at the ski hill site; the purchase of eight lots at Jones Lake: Community Centers being in the process of renovation; Scott Woods Lake—Cheney case; the \$10,000,000.00 Bond

proposal for Capitol Improvements programming; and budget work sheets for the 1967-68 budget were distributed to Park Board members for their study.

Mr. Burnham announced that his resignation from the Park Board will be tendered to the Mayor, due to plans that will keep him away from Lansing the greater part of the year.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
JANE RUST,  
Secretary.

APPROVED BY:

CHARLES G. HAYDEN,  
Director,  
Parks and Recreation.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE BOARD OF THE CITY OF LANSING

**Proceedings, December 13, 1966**

The Police and Fire Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Chairman, Donald F. Johnson.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Kelly, Johnson, Drews, Forsythe, Dunn, Schmidt, and Munyon—7.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

A letter of appreciation was received from Mrs. Goldie C. Smith for services rendered by the Fire Dept. Ambulance Crew on Nov. 9, 1966.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mr. and Mrs. Elton Duffy, 316 S. Clemens Ave., for services rendered by the Fire Dept. ambulance crew.

Letter of appreciation received from Sister Albert Marie, Hospital Administrator, St. Lawrence Hospital for the training and educational instruction given their employees by Insp. Henry Lecata.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Ruth Shapton, Principal at Kendon Elementary School for the program presented by men of the Fire Dept.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mr. Wm. Manning, Superintendent of Lansing Public Schools thanking members of the Fire Department for the instructional programs presented within the city's schools.

By Comm. Munyon—

I so move that the men who have spent so many hours of their off duty time par-

ticipating in these programs be sent a letter by the Chairman commending them for their efforts.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

The Chairman stated he would be happy to do so, and the letter was received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mrs. Vivian Rittle, owner of Rittle's Grocery, 1304 Perkins St. for assistance rendered by Ptlm. Hufnagle in controlling a group of minors in and around her store.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Forest H. White, Sault Ste. Marie Police Dept., expressed appreciation in a communication received for courtesies extended two of his officers while in Lansing.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of thanks from Mr. Samuel A. Milstein, President of Horsebrook PTA, was received for a program presented by Sgt. Curtis Wash and Officer Ray Carter, Police Department on "Mouth-to-Mouth" artificial respiration.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of thanks was received from Mrs. Helen Stevens, Cassopolis, Mich., for courtesies extended her by members of the Police Dept. during her recent visit to Lansing.

Received and placed on file.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mrs. Bryan Athey for security checks made by the Police Dept. to the former residence of Miss Blanche Mabel Wood.

Received and placed on file.

Letter of commendation was received from Mr. Jack Unger on the manner in which Officer Hussey of the Police Dept. at the time he received a traffic ticket, Nov. 14, 1966.

Received and placed on file.

A communication was received from former Patrolman Chas. E. White, requesting that a permanent order be issued to Dr. Robt. June, for his future medical needs.

Comm. Munyon—

I move that this letter be referred to the City Attorney.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

Communication from Lieut. Derold Husby regarding recruitment of personnel in Alpena, Michigan.

Received and placed on file.

Communication was received from Capt. Clarissa Young recommending a citizen citation award be granted Donald and Edith Aper, Haslett, Michigan, for their assistance to members of this department which subsequently lead to the apprehension of three subjects involved in a burglary.

Comm. Kelly—

I so move that an award be given to Donald and Edith Aper.

Supported by Dr. Drews.

Carried.

Communication was received from the Public Service Board stating their approval that the Landel property at the end of Alpha St. be made available to the Police and Fire Board for future construction, providing that any construction done on the site will not interfere with existing active sewers located on the property.

Received and placed on file.

A letter was received from the Board of Education setting forth their plans to name a proposed elementary school in memory of former Lieut. Herbert McCourt.

Received and placed on file.

November 15, 1966

The Personnel Committee

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

The command officers of the Fire Department recommend that Engineer Martin Lardie be promoted to Lieutenant to fill the vacancy created by the promotion of Lieutenant Brethauer to Training Officer.

Martin Lardie was appointed to the Fire Department May 16, 1950, and he was promoted to Engineer December 1, 1960. He has served as an acting officer the past two years, and is next in line on the seniority list. Reports from his commanding officers affirm that he has performed his duties capably.

The command officers also recommend that Fireman Maurice Powers (January 3, 1954) and Merle Anderson (June 21, 1954) be promoted to Engineer. They have been acting engineers the past six months and have fulfilled the requirements of the position satisfactorily.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR E. SPACE,  
Chief.

Comm. Dunn—

I move these promotions be approved.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Carried.

December 12, 1966

Members of the Police and Fire Board

Gentlemen :

The following officers have successfully completed their probationary period, and it is my recommendation that they be confirmed as Patrolmen of the Lansing Police Department: Ronald Bogar, Thomas Harren, William Martin, Jr., John Miller, Gerald Misner, Chas. Shawnee, Ronald Lyon and Thomas Bolan.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that these patrolmen be confirmed.

Supported by Comm. Forsythe.

Carried.

December 7, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen :

Attached is the resignation of Fireman David Patrick, effective December 18, 1966.

I recommend that his resignation be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR E. SPACE,  
Chief.

Comm. Munyon—

I move that this resignation be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Dunn.

Carried.

December 12, 1966

Members of the

Police and Fire Board

Gentlemen :

I am submitting the resignation of the following officers which you will find attached: Clifford Baker, James A. Bennett, Larry Townsend, Robert Hamp, Thomas Oakey, and Willis McQueen.

It is my recommendation that the above officers' resignations be accepted.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES STRAGIER,  
Chief of Police.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that these resignations be accepted.

Supported by Comm. Drews.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

December 12, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen :

It is the recommendation of your Personnel Committee that Detective Sergeant Russell Detering be promoted to the rank of Detective Lieutenant, and that Detective Frederick Wilkins be promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant. Both of these promotions are to become effective December 18, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman,

CHAS. FORSYTHE,  
A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
F. P. KELLY,  
D. F. JOHNSON,  
ROBT. DREWS,  
W. H. MUNYON.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the Committee Report be adopted.

Supported by Comm. Drews.

Carried.

December 6, 1966

Police and Fire Board

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Personnel Committee recommends the following promotions, effective December 4, 1966, to fill vacancies that exist in the Fire Department:

Engineer Martin Lardie to Lieutenant.

Firemen Maurice Powers and Merle Anderson to Engineer.

Personnel Committee,

JACK K. DUNN,  
Chairman.

Action on this report was taken on the letter of recommendation of Chief Victor Space earlier in the meeting.

December 13, 1966

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Lansing, Michigan

Gentlemen:

On November 21, 1966, your Equipment and Specifications Committee approved the specifications for firefighting apparatus submitted in a letter from Chief Victor Space, November 18, 1966, "to provide fire protection for the parking ramps and the Capitol Complex."

This letter was supplemented by "Specifications for one four wheel drive Bronco type roadster with open cab" as prepared by Virgil P. Gurecki, Master Mechanic, Fire and Police Dept., dated November 21, 1966, with enumerated equipment, the estimated cost of which is \$4,800.

It is the consensus of your Equipment and Specifications Committee that the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners approve this recommendation and specifications, and urge that the Council of the City of Lansing purchase this equipment for its intended use.

Respectfully submitted,

EQUIPMENT AND SPECIFICATIONS  
COMMITTEE,

CHAS. E. FORSYTHE,  
Chairman,

A. F. SCHMIDT, JR.,  
Comm.

F. P. KELLY,  
Comm.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that we forward this matter to the City Council for action.

Supported by Comm. Drews.

Carried.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Stragier reported on members of the department on sick leave and stated all are progressing satisfactorily. He also reported that the In-Service Training School has been completed, and the 8 week recruit training school will be completed this week.

Chief Stragier requested permission to move the Gamewell System Control Panel, which is no longer used to the Bingham St. Fire Station for storage.

Considerable discussion ensued regarding the disposal of the Gamewell System; and the Chairman directed the Specifications Committee to submit their recommendation to the Board at the next meeting.

Chief Victor Space reported he has four men on sick leave, one in the hospital in Grand Rapids, and the other convalescing. He stated that Capt. Coffey will be off duty for sometime due to gall bladder surgery.

He commented on the method of evaluation of personnel used by the Cincinnati, Ohio, Fire Department and of the procedures used within the Fire Department for this purpose.

He also discussed present methods used for security measures by the Fire Dept.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Munyon stated he felt that some action should be taken by the Board regarding certain members of the Fire Department who have circulated nominating petitions, and cited the Fire Department Rule regarding this as follows: Any member of the Fire Department who becomes a delegate to any political convention or caucus, or who accepts a nomination for any political office shall be considered as having vacated his position with the department. He cited one instance in particular that of Fireman Jakovac, who remarked that he would take the matter to court if necessary.

Discussion of this matter followed. Comm. Kelly suggested that the Personnel Committee Chairman meet with the City Attorney for his opinion on the matter, as to what proper action should be taken by the Board.

Chairman Johnson directed Mr. Jack Dunn, Chairman of the Personnel Committee to meet with the City Attorney to determine what action should be taken.

Comm. Dunn—

I move that the meeting be adjourned.

Supported by Comm. Munyon.

Respectfully submitted,

YVONNE BROWN,  
Administrative Asst.,  
Secretary of the Board.

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